WHEREAS, October 31, 1943 marked the entry into the state of matrimony of Eleanor Faye Stegeberg and George S. McGovern; and,

WHEREAS, The Reverend McGovern, father of George, officiated at this marriage ceremony which took place in Woonsocket, South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, Since that time George and Eleanor have become the proud parents of five children: Ann Mead, Susan Rowen, and Terry, Steve and Mary McGovern, who have in turn gifted them with four grand-children; and,

WHEREAS, George has so ably served his State as Executive Secretary of the South Dakota Democratic Party and as Congressman and Senator, having been elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1956 and 1958, and to the United States Senate in 1962; and,

WHEREAS, In 1960 George ves appointed by President John F. Kennedy as Food for Peace Director; and,

WHEREAS, In 1972 George brought honor and distinction to his home State as a candidate for the bighest office in the land, President of the United States; and,

WHEREAS, George and his lovely, warm, gracious Eleanor traversed the length and breadth of the land in behalf of this candidacy and made many new friends for South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, Sunday, October 31, 1976, marks the celebration of the Thirty-Third Wedding Anniversary of George and Eleanor McCovern; and,

WHEREAS, Nancy and I regret that we will be unable to be with the McGoverns and their many friends on this special day, but we want to extend to them our most sincere congratulations and best wishes; and,

WHEREAS, Eleanor and George are two great human beings whom Nancy and I are pleased and proud to call "friends":

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F.KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim Sunday, October 31, 1976, as

GEORGE AND ELEANOR MCGOVERN DAY

in South Dakota, and join with their many friends in wishing them an abundance of good health and happiness on this day and in the years ahead.

7.F. Kneip

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE